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Staffan Peterson
Cultural Resources Section
Office of Environmental Services
Indiana Department of Transportation
100 North Senate Avenue, Room N642
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Re: Request for approved permit for Phase Ia field investigations on Indiana Department of Transportation ("INDOT") properties.

Dear Mr. Peterson:

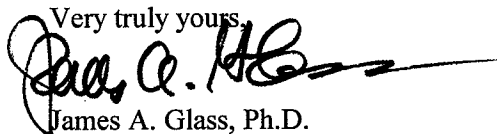
The Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (IDNR-DHPA) has reviewed the plan submitted by Shaun Miller of your staff for personnel to conduct Phase Ia field investigations on INDOT properties under Indiana Code (IC) 14-21-1-16. The plan is acceptable for all personnel currently on the Qualified Professionals Roster for Archaeology who are INDOT personnel, personnel with archaeological firms under contract to INDOT, and personnel with sub-consultants contracted by engineering/environmental firms, with the following conditions:

1. The methods and techniques for Phase 1 archaeology in the most current *Guidebook for Indiana Historic Sites and Structures Inventory—Archaeological Sites* will be adhered to for all projects under this approved plan.
2. This plan is for INDOT properties only.
3. All projects must be directly supervised in the field and laboratory by a qualified archaeologist meeting the supervisory criteria of 312 IAC 21. This plan is non-transferrable.
4. This authorization does not apply to areas where known, large multicomponent, and/or significant archaeological sites are present; earthworks and/or mound sites are present, anticipated, or encountered; burial grounds, cemeteries, and/or sites with human remains present, anticipated, or encountered; and unique sites or cultural landscape areas (e.g., Wabash and Erie Canal sites) are present, anticipated, and/or encountered. In such cases, if there is to be any disturbance of the ground, a plan for archaeological investigations must be submitted to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources for approval in advance of fieldwork activities.
5. The IDNR-DHPA must receive notification of the survey and maps with locations and a description of the nature of the project and the project area(s) prior to the fieldwork activities. Depending upon the nature of the project, project area, and other considerations, the IDNR-DHPA may require a more detailed plan or different methodology in certain cases.
6. Archaeological records checks for all projects must be completed in advance of field investigation.
7. If human remains dating on or before December 31, 1939 are encountered, the discovery must be treated in accordance with IC 14-21-1 and 312 IAC 22. In that event, please call (317) 232-1646.
8. Any proposed revision of standard reconnaissance methodology must be submitted to our office, in writing, for review and comment prior to implementation.

With these conditions, the plan for scientific investigations is approved (#2009032). A copy of this letter, along with proper identification, should be carried by archaeologists in the field. This will ensure minimal confusion should they be requested to produce proper identification in the field by law enforcement personnel.

If you have any questions regarding this authorization, please contact Dr. Rick Jones at 317/232-1646.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Glass", followed by a long, horizontal, wavy line.

James A. Glass, Ph.D.
Director, Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

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